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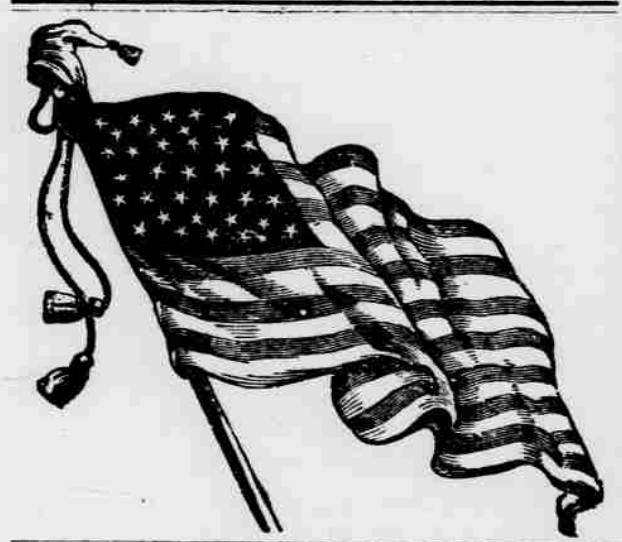
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The Haig line could never be called the "line of least resistance."

The Third Liberty loan has not only gone "over the top" but it has carried devastation into the enemy's trenches.

Hats off to the farmer! In the midst of the plowing season he took time to dig up for the Third Liberty loan.

The Overman bill is a great little visitor. It has spent four months with the Senate and is now being entertained by the House.

A small piano is manufactured for use in the front line of trenches. A piano usually fulfills two purposes—it cheers the possessors and annoys the neighbors.

Our aircraft have not yet been built. But it is hinted that just the same they have already flown away with considerable money.

Why not be cosmopolitan in our eating? If we use more English barley, Japanese rice, Scotch oatmeal, Irish potatoes, and Indian corn we can send more American wheat to our boys in the trenches.

CAN WE ESCHEW POLITICS?

When President Wilson asked the Congress to declare a state of war with Germany, with the exception of a very

few exceptions the response Party lines disappeared as if by magic and all were Americans first, last and all the time. And since that date the same state of cohesion has continued, Democrats, Republicans, Prohibitionists and Progressives vying in their loyalty to the Administration, until from the proceedings in the two houses of Congress one would be at a loss to tell who were Democrats and who were not.

This unanimity of action evidenced a fine spirit of loyalty and augurs well for the Administration's backing for the time ahead of us. But next fall the general elections are coming on, and many members will be compelled to contest before the people for their seats in the body.

There is now a sentiment in the country that in the coming elections we as a people consent to drop for a time our propensity for politics and return these same men to the national capital on their records. It is pointed out that France has prorogued her elections and continues in harness the men who have been bearing the brunt of the war legislation. This is done from various reasons, principal of which is that there may be no suspicion of dissatisfaction with her legislators that might give encouragement to the enemy.

It will certainly detract from the efficiency of Congress if any large number of its members are forced to make a fight for their positions. It would be a graceful act of the American people if in the coming election each man who has stood staunchly at his post and upheld the honor of his country, were to be given his elections again as a mark of confidence tendered him by his constituents. Whether he be one of party or the other, for his election to be conceded by the opposite party would constitute one of the finest displays of loyalty and fidelity imaginable. It would say to our enemies that our representatives have faithfully voiced our sentiments in their every act, and that we have implicit confidence in their loyalty and integrity.

Our country is facing a stupendous task and needs to come to this work united in sentiment and determination. No such disturbing factors as partisan politics should be permitted to interfere with our unity of action or take from our full efficiency. During the past year we have almost lost sight of politics, and it might be the best thing we could do if we continue blind to it's lure.

It would not be a bad idea to put every man on war record and let him stand or fall by it.

PRIMARY JUNE 1 1918
Notice is hereby given that a primary for the nomination of State, County and Township officers is called to be held at the same time and under the same regulations as the State officers for Saturday, June 1st, 1918. This action was determined by the County Convention at Halifax and ratified by the executive Committee, C. D. HOUSE, Chairman. Executive Com. of Halifax County.

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